

I am in harsh opposition to RM-10740. I'm not going to go into a technical discussion with the Commission with regard to bandwidth. This is because it is NOT a technical issue. The original petitioners W0YR and W6FDR seek to make it a technical issue when it is simply an issue with regard to "Good Amateur Practice." This would be THEIR response to good amateur practice. The Hi-Fi Ops on 14.178 stay within a specific area when they operate and everyone knows they are there. It is operators who do not care that there is an established QSO on 14.178 who put themselves within a passband of that QSO! This seems to be a widespread problem not only on 20m but on 40m and 75m as well. I'm very active on 75m and quite frequently operators will put themselves 2kc to a minimum of 1kc away from my QSO! This necessitates our group to ask them to move away. This creates arguments and sometimes deliberate interference by the offending party. This whole issue can be resolved with common courtesy between operators, not further rulemaking.

In my opinion, failures with regard to "Good Amateur Practice" is Societal. WE ARE A SELF SERVING SOCIETY and could care less about others!

As Broadcast Engineer I know full well that the excitement of experimentation in Radio is paramount to keeping interest and innovation alive. Hi-Fi SSB does not exceed what AM'ers have come to know and love about modified Broadcast transmitters and the 10kc wide carrier these will produce. The Wide DSB's and Heterodynes can be found up and down 75M at times. Yet no one has complained about the AM community.

HiFi Ops DO NOT BROADCAST. These QSO's are not ONE-WAY Transmissions. These are just experimenters who love to see how cleanly they can process audio. I don't need to tell you all of the Digital Audio Encoding Techniques that are being discovered and continually improved because of experimentation. These fellows are moving in that direction and as a natural consequence, bandwidth usage will be reduced keeping audio quality the same. THIS IS THE FUTURE, this is how Ham Radio has always worked and the seed of innovation should NEVER be destroyed.

I beg the Commission to dismiss RM-10740 immediately with the instruction to W0YR and W6FDR and the Amateur community as a whole to learn how to operate gentlemanly, in keeping with "Good Amateur Practice."

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